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Attorney Docket No. 275A 3842 PCT
Customer No.: 73230REMARKS

Applicant has cancelled Claim 1 and added new Claim 24. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the claims are supported by the application as originally filed and do not contain any new matter. In addition, Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the claims would not be properly rejected based upon the art of record for the reasons set forth herein below.

The Examiner has rejected the claims 1 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious over Totsu in view of Hannay stating that Totsu discloses a pan head screw having substantially all of the claim features but does not specifically disclose the grooves being formed in a Y shape; Hannay teaches that the bit engaging grooves of a screw head may be made in a Y shape divided into three equal parts in a circumferential direction; and it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to have modified Totsu in view of the teachings of Hannay.

In reply in this rejection, Applicant would like to incorporate by reference his comments made to substantially the same rejection in Applicant's response dated June 10, 2010. In addition, Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner's rejection is directed substantially only to the pan head screw and not to the combination of the pan head screw and the screwdriver tip which is claimed by Applicant's Claim 12 and further defined in Applicant's new Claim 24.

In particular, Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner's rejection has not been directed towards a screwdriver bit having vane parts respectively formed on the tip end blade part and which have edge parts that have a right angle shape to an obtuse angle shape or protruding parts that are formed to intersect and connect in a circular conical shape in a central axial part of the screwdriver bit with the protruding parts corresponding to the bottom surface of the circular conical recess part. Still further, Applicant respectfully submits that these features of the screwdriver bit are not shown or suggested by the construction of Totsu and Hannay.

Still further, Applicant respectfully submits that the specific construction of the screwdriver bit which is now claimed by the new Claim 24 is also not shown or suggested by Totsu or Hannay.

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In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that the Claims 12 and 24 are not obvious over Totsu in view Hannay.

In view of the above, therefore, it is respectfully requested that as part of this Request for Continued Examination that this amendment be entered, favorably considered and the case past issue.

Please charge any additionally costs incurred by or in order to implement this amendment or required by any future requests for extensions of time to DLA Piper Deposit Account No. 07-1896.

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